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Re: Monthly Progress Report for August 2019

Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study

Lake Calumet Cluster Site, Operable Unit 2, Chicago, Illinois

Dear Ms. Kolak:

The Respondents submit this monthly progress report to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region 5, pursuant to Paragraph 46 of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (AOC) and attached Statement of Work for the Operable Unit 2 (OU2) Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) at the Lake Calumet Cluster Site in Chicago, Illinois (the Site). This progress report summarizes efforts by the Respondents to fulfill the requirements of the AOC during the August 2019 reporting period.

1. **Activities Completed During This Reporting Period**

A. On August 11, 2019, the Respondents submitted the July 2019 monthly progress report to USEPA with copies to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA).

2. Results of Sampling and Tests and Other Data

A. The Respondents submitted no sampling results or other test data during the August 2019 reporting period.



3. Work Plans, Procedures, and Deliverables

A. The Respondents submitted no other work plans, procedures, or technical deliverables during the August 2019 reporting period.

4. Actions Projected for the Next Reporting Period

- A. The Respondents will address any comments from USEPA on the expanded scope of work for IRM surface water sampling submitted on July 30, 2019.
- B. On behalf of the Respondents, Arcadis U.S., Inc. will prepare a revised technical memorandum summarizing information on the unconsolidated unit of low-permeability material (confining unit) that underlies the shallow fill materials at the Site.

5. Progress and Schedule Report

- A. On behalf of the Respondents, Arcadis has completed the RI Site characterization studies as defined in the RI/FS Work Plan, as well as ancillary Site investigation activities (e.g., seep inspection, light non-aqueous phase liquid sampling).
- B. The schedule date for completing the RI was extended to accommodate four rounds of quarterly groundwater sampling rather than the one round envisioned in the schedule submitted with the RI/FS Work Plan. The schedule was further extended to address the USEPA comments on the August 2017 OU2 Groundwater Assessment Technical Memorandum and will be further extended to address the USEPA comments on the Surface Water Sampling Work Plan, Indian Ridge Marsh and on the Review and Assessment of Geologic Data on the Clay Confining Layer and Other Relevant Information at the Lake Calumet Cluster Site in Chicago, Illinois.

We trust this submittal satisfies your requirements at this time. If you have questions regarding this progress report or related project matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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